EVERY KID IN A PARK





Free Access
to Federal Lands and Waters
for 4th Graders
and Their Guests



















Agenda

- Vision for the Every Kid in a Park Program
- Programmatic Facts
- Components of the Program
- What's Ahead
- Questions and Answers Discussion



Vision

NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU LIVE, EVERY KID SHOULD BE ABLE TO ENJOY AMERICA'S PARKS, MONUMENTS, LANDS, AND WATERS.











Interagency Effort

- The White House Council on Environmental Quality
- Department of Agriculture
 Forest Service
- Department of the Interior
 National Park Service
 Bureau of Land Management
 Fish and Wildlife Service
 Bureau of Reclamation

- Department of Commerce
 National Oceanic and Atmospheric
 Administration
- Department of Defense Army Corps of Engineers
- Department of Education



















Priorities

Participation

- Four million fourth graders.
- Most underserved kids, communities, and schools engaged.

Awareness

- All federal public lands, forests, waters, and shores.
- Multiple entry "points" (for example, recreation, science, arts, history, etc.).

Partnerships

Expand key partnerships at local and national levels

Sustainability

- Build a long-term movement; a cultural shift.
- Ensure every child in the US has the opportunity to visit and enjoy their federal lands and waters by the time he or she is 11 years old.











Why Fourth Graders?

- Over four million fourth graders in the United States.
- Children who interact with nature and natural areas before age 11 are more likely to have positive attitudes toward nature and the environment.
- Youngest age brackets increasingly reflect the diversity of our nation.
- Manageable logistics with elementary and afterschool programs.
- Logistics are also easier with "one teacher" classrooms.
- Federal lands and waters have educational programs that serve fourth grade students.

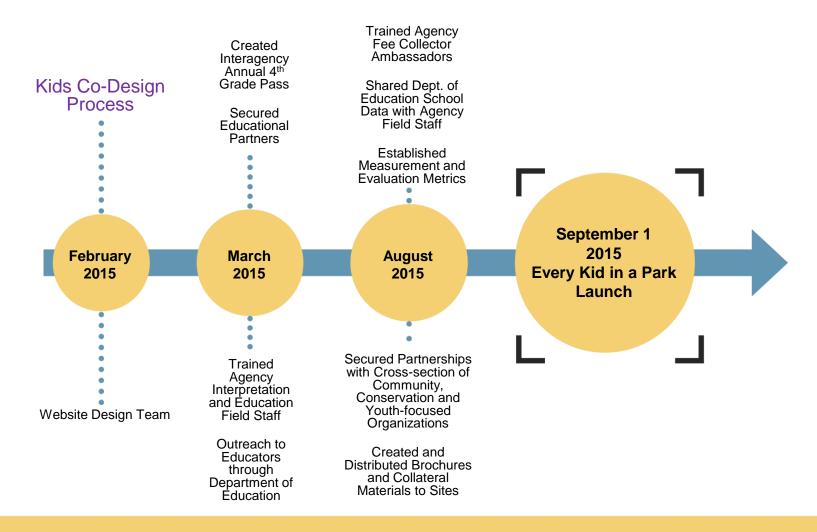








What have we been doing?





We Talked with 4th Graders and They Told Us...

- They are super excited about a program designed just for them.
- They want to feel special and recognized when they arrive.



What is the Every Kid in a Park Program?

- It's free! Free unlimited admission to fourth graders (or age equivalent, free-choice learners).
- It's an invitation to bring guests. Free access for passengers accompanying a fourth grader with a Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass "plastic" or paper pass in a private non-commercial vehicle at per-vehicle fee areas; or up to three accompanying adults at sites that charge per person.
- It is open access. To all federally managed public lands, waters, and shores that require an entrance fee or standard amenity fee.
- It's a special year for 4th graders! Free access for the fourth-grade school year only (September 1 to August 31).
- It's fashionable. A new pass will be designed for each school year (for those entering the fourth grade).



How Will Every Kid in a Park Work?

Every Kid in a Park Website – www.everykidinapark.gov

- Engaging educational activity for fourth graders to download a paper pass.
- Each pass (paper or plastic) will have a unique serial number.
- Accompanying instructions and usage rules.

Paper passes and Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass

- Fourth graders can obtain an Interagency Annual 4th Grade plastic pass by presenting the paper pass in person at federal lands and waters sites.
- Both the paper pass or the Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass may be used at staffed or unstaffed locations.
- Utilized for the fourth grade year at all federal lands and waters September 1 through August 31.









Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass

and Paper Pass







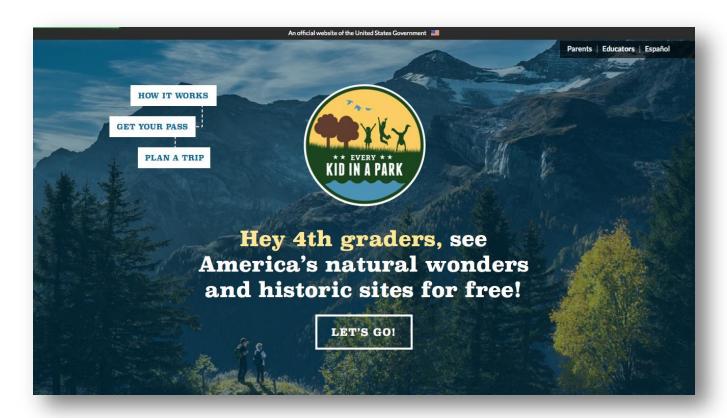






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For fourth graders, parents and educators.





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Educational activities.





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Download and print paper pass. Obtain trip planning information.





How Will Kids Get There?

Sites near you:

Many federal lands and waters are closer than a lot of Americans realize!
 A variety of trip planning tools will be available to teachers, families and community groups to discover federal lands and waters throughout the nation.

Apply for a transportation grant:

- Administered by the National Park Foundation.
- An interagency opportunity; all federal lands and waters sites will be eligible
- Work with a federal land or water site to complete the application process.









Transportation Grants: How Do They Work?

WHO

Federal Public Lands + Waters staff must apply for the grant; NPF can pay partner organizations

WHAT

Additional opportunity, beyond the paper pass, to get 4th graders in federal public lands and waters.
 NPF will award grants up to \$9,000 to bring students for education and recreation opportunities.

WHEN

Deadline to apply is Friday, October 9th. Activities must take place before August 31, 2016.

WHERE

www.nationalparks.org/everykidgrants

HOW

Applications must be submitted online with two letters of support and W-9 form if directing funds to partner organization.
 National Park Foundation.



Funding Requirements

Application Criteria

- Three Element Approach: Pre-Visit, On-Site, Post-Visit
- Underserved Students with Focus on Title One
- Site and School Letters of Support
- Cost Ratio ~ \$10/student
- Timeline of activities: September 2015 August 2016
- New or Existing Programming

Application Process

- Visit nationalparks.org/everykidgrants to review criteria, FAQs, etc.
- Gather information needed to successfully request funds
- Apply using online link
- Sign grant agreement & receive funds
- Submit photos and report back





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• NPF Website Live: FAQs, Application Link, Latest Updates

September 2nd

• Conference Call

• Questions About the Application Process

Applications Due October 9th

 $\bullet \ Find \ the \ Link \ at \ www.national parks.org/every kidgrants$

Oct 12th - 30th

• NPF Compiles Applications

• FICOR Review Panel Reviews + Selects Applications

November 6th

• NPF Notifies Successful Applicants

November $9^{th} - 27^{th}$

• NPF Works with Applicant & Payee to Execute Grant Agreement

December

• Check Processed & Mailed



For More Information

Website (August 21)

www.nationalparks.org/everykidgrants

Conference Call (September 2)

- 3PM Eastern
- (641) 715-3200; 301096#

Contact

- Michelline Granjean or Katherine Chesson
- everykid@nationalparks.org
- 202-796-4011





Answers to Common Questions

- **No IDs.** We will not check fourth grader identifications.
- On the horizon. No APPs/Tablets or digital passes (yet!!).
- En Español también. Spanish translation is coming, but not available in the first year.
- **Get A Pass.** Only certain sites will distribute Interagency Annual 4th Grade Pass. Check the website for full list.
- Bring it! Staffed locations will not have extra copies of paper passes. Fourth graders must bring
 a plastic pass or paper pass with them.
- **Be present.** Interagency Annual 4th Grade Passes will only be exchanged when a fourth grader is present with his or her paper pass.
- Where to go? Only for federal properties; not local, regional, or state facilities.









What You Can Do

- Connect Every Kid in a Park to activities you are already doing.
- "Adopt" a class, school, youth group, or community.
- Nurture existing local partnerships to make this work for the kids in your community.
- Host an event to get families outside.
- Convey the message that "you are special" or "this is your special year"
- **Provide** or seek transportation support.
- Amplify through social media, marketing, and website links.
- Do what makes sense for you park and your community.
- Tell us what you're learning and what is successful.
- Help us keep track of our progress.









Every Kid in a Park Communications Tools











General Information Sheet, FAQs for Agencies, and FAQs for Public (PDFs)

Printed and Online Brochure (PDF)

Visual Identity Guidelines (PDF) and Logo Files (EPS, Ai, JPG, PNG)



Logos You Can Use

GETTING THE LOGOS









The Every Kid in a Park logo will be available to participating agencies and their site locations through the agency's Every Kid in a Park intranet site.

Local sites will be able to obtain and download the appropriate files for logo use on marketing, advertising, and branding materials with the intent of promoting the program. Sites can also provide these files to their partners for their own marketing/branding, advertising, and sales with the intent of promoting the program.

Partners must be a locally based or in some cases national organization in a partnership agreement with the federal land or water agency. Partners help leverage the work of site employees through donated labor, funds, and mutual marketing/advertising of programs and activities.

The partnership agreement between the agency and partner will serve as the primary agreement with the addition of these guidelines specifically addressing the terms of the display and use of the Every Kid in a Park logo. Products bearing the logo must be pre-approved by the site leadership, and the revenue generated from the sale of products must only cover the cost of the product.

Please contact your site partner or the Every Kid in a Park agency lead for further information. Contact your local federal lands or waters site to obtain logo files.

Consult the Every Kid in a Park Visual Identity Guidelines for proper logo implementation.

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What's Ahead?

- FAQ's and updates at <u>www.doi.gov/everykid</u>
- Social media launches August 21.
- Website activation on September 1.
- Launch events across the country.









Contact Information

For general questions email: everykidinapark@ios.doi.gov

Temporary website: www.doi.gov/everykid

Final website: Activates on September 1 at www.everykidinapark.gov

Additional information:

Contact you agency representative.









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